PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2011, 74.67% of Missoula voters passed Referendum 7653 urging our state and federal elected officials to amend the United States Constitution to state that corporations are not human beings; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2012, 74.9% of Montana voters passed Initiative 166 asserting that the people of Montana regard money as property, not speech; and that the people of Montana regard the rights under the United States Constitution as rights of human beings, not rights of corporations and called for a United States constitutional amendment; and

WHEREAS, the well-being of Missoula’s citizens is harmed with each passing year that the constitutional amendment is delayed as our common good and our common wealth is being redirected to benefit the few; and

WHEREAS, the money that is overwhelming our elections and intimidating our candidates and elected officials makes it more and more difficult for the citizens of Missoula to protect the common good and our common wealth; and

WHEREAS, Missoula wishes to give evidence of our commitment every year until the United States Constitution is amended to say that corporations are not people and money is not speech and the proposed “We the People Amendment” most clearly states our intent.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim, January 21, 2017 as the second annual:

“WE THE PEOPLE AMENDMENT” DAY

in Missoula, Montana, to reaffirm our shared commitment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Missoula, in the State of Montana, to be affixed at Missoula, Montana, this 18th day of January, in the year two thousand seventeen.

John Engen
Mayor